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Profile

Vincent provides timely advice to clients on corporate governance, real estate, contract, construction and general business issues. Vincent focuses a signification portion of his practice on institutions of higher education and other nonprofit institutions. He has handled numerous types of matters including zoning, construction and renovation of college dormitories, student apartments, academic buildings, libraries and other facilities.

A member of the National Association of College and University Attorneys (NACUA), Vincent advises the boards of trustees and administrators of a number of Western New York area colleges and universities. In addition, Vincent served on the Board of Trustees of Hilbert College from 2003 through 2012 and was board chair from 2007 through 2009.

Vincent has served as a contributing author for the Practical Law Company, an international online publisher of legal resources, and spoken at the Association of Franciscan Colleges and Universities on higher education corporate governance topics. He has also served as a guest lecturer for the University at Buffalo School of Management, the New York State Bar Association and various business groups on a broad range of topics.

Honors & Affiliations

- Listed in
 - o Chambers USA 2025, Real Estate Upstate New York, 2019 2025
 - The Best Lawyers in America®, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law;
 Land Use and Zoning Law; Litigation Land Use and Zoning; Litigation Real
 Estate; Real Estate Law, 2007-2026 (listed for more than 15 years)
 - Best Lawyers in America® Lawyer of the Year (Buffalo), Land Use and Zoning Law, 2024, 2025
 - Best Lawyers in America® Lawyer of the Year (Buffalo), Litigation Land Use and Zoning Law, 2014, 2016- 2019, 2021, 2023
 - Chambers USA 2024, Real Estate Upstate New York, 2019 2024
 - o New York Super Lawyers®, Real Estate, 2009-2025
 - o Who's Who in Law 2008, Buffalo Business First
 - o Martindale-Hubbell®, AV Preeminent Rated

Education

- University at Buffalo School of Law (J.D., cum laude, 1982)
- State University of New York at Oswego (B.A., cum laude, 1979)

Bar/Court Admissions

- New York
- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York

Practices

- Real Estate and Construction
- Municipalities
- Higher Education
- Tax Assessment, Condemnation & Property Valuation
- Property
- · Health Care
- · Commercial Lending
- · Business and Transactions



- · New York State Bar Association
- · Erie County Bar Association
- National Association of College and University Attorneys
- St. Thomas More, Award Recipient, 2017

Representative Publications

• "Five Questions with... Vincent Hanley," Buffalo Law Journal, May 13, 2013

Other Activities

Vincent served on the Board of Trustees of Hilbert College from 2003 through 2012 and chaired the Board from 2007 through 2009. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Food Bank of Western New York from 2014 to 2019, the Board of Directors of the Mercy Hospital Foundation from 2014 to 2024 and on the Board of Trustees of D'Youville College from 2019 to 2022.

He currently serves on the following boards:

- The Foundation of Catholic Health, Board of Directors
- · Catholic Health Continuing & Home Care Foundation, Board of Directors
- · Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Western New York, Board of Directors